REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON **PLANNING**

Voting Members:

Ikaika Anderson, Chair; Heidi Tsuneyoshi, Vice Chair; Michael Formby, Carol Fukunaga, Joey Manahan, Kymberly Marcos Pine

> Committee Meeting Held April 23, 2019

Honorable Ann H. Kobayashi Interim Chair, City Council City and County of Honolulu

Madam Chair:

Your Committee on Planning, which considered Resolution 19-25 entitled:

"RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH HAVANA, CUBA,"

introduced on February 7, 2019, reports as follows:

The purpose of the resolution is to establish a sister city relationship with Havana, Cuba.

The Executive Director from the Mayor's Office of Economic Development offered comments on the resolution, noting the number of existing sister city relationships and cautioning the Council that increasing the number of sister city relationships affects the City's ability to maintain meaningful, active relationships with each of its sister cities.

At your Committee's meeting on April 23, 2019, one individual offered comments and two individuals testified in support of the resolution.

Your Committee also received written testimony from the Cubanakoa Foundation and three individuals in support on the resolution.

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Your Committee notes the City's and Havana's cultural and linguistic ties, including the consumption of taro (kalo), which is called malanga in Cuba, and Polynesian linguistic influences on certain Cuban place names, specifically the regions Toa, Moa, Tui, Tuinuku, and Guanabacoa, which is linguistically linked to Kawananakoa.

Your Committee on Planning is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 19-25 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Anderson, Formby, Fukunaga, Manahan, Pine, Tsuneyoshi – 6; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Chair

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